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SUBJECT: CCMS: ROAD SAFETY AND THE INTERNATIONAL RESOLUTION

REF: STATE 65037 AND 73430

1. WE ARE SEEKING FINAL CONFIRMATION FROM VREBOS THAT BELGIUM ACCEPTS THE CURRENT TEXT OF THE INTERNATIONAL RESOLUTION ON ROAD SAFETY WITHOUT FURTHER AMENDMENT. IN VIEW OF HIS PERSONAL INSTRUCTIONS

TO THE BELGIAN DELEGATION IN OTTAWA (BRUSSELS 1943), WE ASSUME THIS TO BE THE CASE.

2. INITIAL DISCUSSION WITH DE COSTER REVEALS THAT HE HAS YET TO FOCUS ON BRENNER' S LETTER OF APRIL 6 (COPIES PROVIDED ALSO TO VREBOS, RENSON AND SALMON). WE STRESSED REQUIREMENT FOR PROJECT REPORT BY JULY 1, AND WE WILL FOLLOW UP SHORTLY. DE COSTER EMPHASIZED THE NECESSITY OF KNOWING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THE EXACT DATES OF THE JUNE WORKSHOP IN PARIS. HE NOTED THAT THE ACCIDENT
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INVESTIGATION PROJECT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR JUN 29-30 IN BRUSSELS, PRECEDED BY ANOTHER (NON- CCMS) ROAD SAFETY GATHERING IN AMSTERDAM JUNE 26-27 THAT HE AND PERHAPS OTHERS INVOLVED IN CCMS WILL BE ATTENDING. MOREOVER, DE COSTER WANTS TO FIX DATES FOR A PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PROJECT MEETING SOMETIME IN JUNE.

3. DE COSTER FORESEES NO DIFFICULTY IN SUBMITTING HIS PROJECT REPORT ON SCHEDULE, SINCE HE LACKS ONLY A GERMAN INPUT LONG AWAITED. HE WILL PRESS GERMANS FOR A SPEEDY CONTRIBUTION, BUT HE AGREES THAT GERMAN FAILURE TO PRODUCE SHOULD NOT BE PERMITTED TO DELAY HIS REPORT.

4. COMMENT. WHILE VREBOS MAY WANT TO SEND A MINISTRY OFFICIAL TO THE JUNE WORKSHOP TO DEAL SPECIFICALLY WITH THE THE RESOLUTION (PROBABLY DE WOLF), WE ASSUME DOT DEFINITELY DESIRES ATTENDANCE BY DE COSTER AS WELL. THE SOONER WE CAN FURNISH MORE PRECISE DATES, THE GREATER THE CHANCES OF SECURING HIS PARTICIPATION. STRAUZ- HUPE

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